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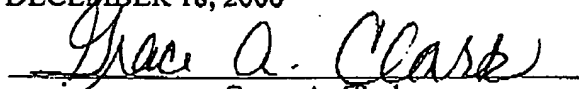☒ Please Confirm Receipt by:
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This is an Amendment After Final Rejection in response to the Office Action of October 18, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

There are no amendments to the Specification in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

There are no amendments to the Drawings in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.